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Re: New U.S. Patent Appln.
Our Ref: 951/49617

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of:

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entitled: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR DETECTING SHOCK ABSORBER
DAMAGE

Enclosed are:

1. Specification, including 29 claims (pages 1-30, plus specification cover sheet).
2. 8 Sheets of drawings showing Figs. 1-11.
3. X Declaration and Power of Attorney (**executed-2 pages**).
4. Assignment of the invention to Bayerische Motoren Werke Aktiengesellschaft.
5. Certified copy of Priority Document 100 28 749.2 filed in Germany on 10 June 2000, the priority of which is being claimed under 35 U.S.C. §119 and 37 C.F.R. §1.55.
6. X Information Disclosure Statement.
7. The filing fee has been calculated as shown below:

Basic Fee				\$355/710 =	\$710.00
Total Claims	<u>29</u>	- 20 =	<u>9</u>	x \$ 9/18 =	\$162.00
Independent Claims		- 3 =		x \$40/80 =	\$
Multiple Dependent Claim Presented				\$135/270 =	\$
Total Filing Fee					<u>\$872.00</u>

Checks in the amount of \$710.00 for X filing fee; \$162.00 for X additional claims and \$40.00 for X assignment recording fee are enclosed.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 05-1323 (Docket #951/49617). A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,


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